# 2017 TIM Action Team Goals & Accomplishments

### Promote and educate the use of high-visibility apparel for first responders.

### **SMART Goals**

Objective: Increase compliance with high-visibility apparel requirements through education for all 'workers' at traffic incidents from 59% to 75% by December 31, 2017.

• This goal was not met; the compliance of responders wearing high-visibility apparel was 73.8% in 2016. This was an increase of 11.2% since previously reported.

Objective: Increase compliance with high-visibility apparel requirements through education for all 'workers' at traffic incidents to 100% by December 31, 2018.

• This goal was not met; the compliance of responders wearing high-visibility apparel for 2017 is currently being compiled.

### **Strategies**

Activity: Survey agencies and companies to document if they have a Standard Operation Procedure (SOP), Official Order, or Guidelines established for wearing high-visibility apparel. Lead Agencies: Mason County Sheriff, Charlotte Police Department, Bob Adams Towing, Marquette Alger County EMS Medical Control Authority, and St. Clair Shores Fire Department Contact Names: Sheriff Kim Cole, Chief Lisa Sherman, Terry Adams, Lyn Nelson and Chief George Morehouse

**Accomplishment:** Survey completed with varies associations.

**Activity:** Create a toolbox for first responders with materials to use for training, and examples of a SOP, Official Order, or Guidelines for wearing high-visibility apparel and working near traffic. **Lead Agencies:** St. Clair Shores Fire Department, Michigan State Police (MSP), Ann Arbor Fire Department, Bloomfield Township Police Department, Marquette Alger County EMS Medical Control Authority, and Bob Adams Towing

**Contact Names:** Chief George Morehouse, Spl/Sgt. Allan Avery, Lt. Carl Hein, Lyn Nelson, Sgt. Kim Comerford, and Terry Adams

**Status:** Currently a Research Project on *Further Assessment of Safe, Quick Clearance Strategies - Phase II* is being completed which will create toolbox items for first responders. Angie Kremer is the Project Manager for this research project.

**Activity:** In basic academies, educate new first responders on high-visibility apparel compliance requirements and benefits. Include education during in-service training material and roll call training. Activities also include obtaining working on accreditation of the Mi-TIME/SHRP 2 TIM Train the Trainer (TtT) Program.

**Lead Agencies:** St. Clair Shores Fire Department, MSP, Bloomfield Township Police Department, Pro Med, and Bob Adams Towing

**Contact Names:** Chief George Morehouse, F/Lt. Jim Flegel, Sgt. Kim Comerford, Tom Schmiedeknecht, and Terry Adams

**Status:** Regarding Mi-TIME, MCOLES has approved this training for in-service. MSP has incorporated the 4 hour Mi-TIME training as part of their academy. Delta Community College and Lake Superior State have also started to incorporate the training into the curriculum. The Michigan Fire Fighter Training Council have approved the Mi-TIME training. Currently the training is not incorporated into Fire I or II class requirements. Department of Community Health has approved the Mi-TIME training for EMS continuing education credits. Work for continue education credits is also being worked on for dispatchers.

Activity: Promote high-visibility requirements through newsletters and associations.

Lead Agencies: MSP, Livonia Fire Rescue, Ann Arbor Fire Department

Contact Names: F/Lt. Jim Flegel, Charlotte Kilvington, Chief Shadd Whitehead, Lt. Carl Hein

Status: No recent articles have been issue that the team is aware of.

**Activity:** Continue implementation of the Michigan Traffic Incident Management Effort (Mi-TIME)/ Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP 2) TIM TtT Program and revise program material to include needs for all first responders in Michigan.

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Contact Names: Angie Kremer and Dave Morena

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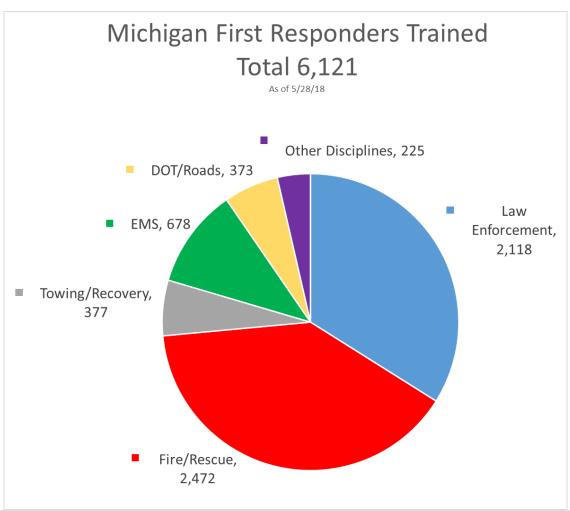
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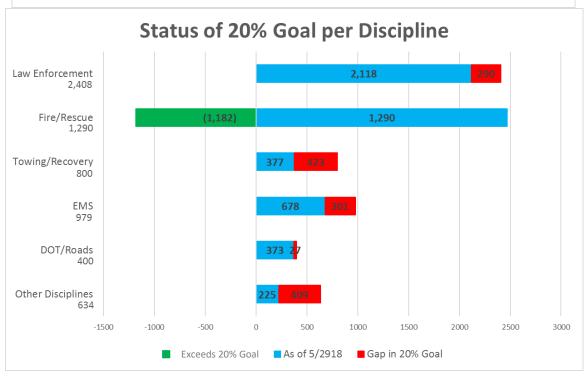
### Coordinate traffic incident response between all responders.

### **SMART Goals**

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  responders trained with 299 training sessions. A website for Mi-TIME was created. The website
  is used to request training; display scheduled trainings with openings; and provide other
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**Activity:** Develop guidelines and templates describing when/how to implement After Action Reviews (AARs) for traffic incidents.

**Lead Agencies:** Bloomfield Township Police Department, MDOT, and Mason County Sheriff

Office

Contact Names: Sgt. Craig Shackleford, Dayo Akinyemi, and Sheriff Kim Cole

Update: Two templates for examples of After Actions Reviews have been developed. Many

areas are using a form that has similar fields to fit the needs of their agency's needs.

## Conduct training in traffic incident management for all stakeholder groups.

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### **Strategies**

#### **Ongoing Activities:**

**Activity:** Encourage a TIM general session and more TIM breakout sessions at the Traffic Safety Summit.

Lead Agency: TIM Action Team

Contact Name: Angie Kremer and Ron Tennant

**Update:** The TIM Action Team submitted 2 breakout sessions and 1 general session for the 2018 Traffic Safety Summit. Most years, only one TIM breakout session is chosen. The breakout session for 2018 was the *TIM Sampler* with six speakers. The Team feels a TIM general session should be added for the next Traffic Safety Summit.

**Activity:** Champion the topic of Traffic Incident Management at existing conferences and training.

Lead Agency: TIM Action Team

Contact Name: Angie Kremer and Ron Tennant

**Update:** The Team continues to find opportunities to have TIM at conferences for different first responder communities around the state. In 2017, different team member of the TIM Action Team have been presenting or introducing the TIM topic at their different conference across the state with multiple type of disciplines.

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**Short-Term (1-2 years) Activities:** Incorporate TIM in tabletop exercises and work with Emergency Management. Table Top Exercises are also in Mi-TIME/SHRP 2 Training.

**Lead Agency**: TIM Action Team

Contact Name: Angie Kremer and Ron Tennant

**Update:** Smaller tabletop exercises are a part of the Mi-TIME training. Each Mi-TIME instructor has been given a tabletop exercise kit to enable them to do the exercises as a part of the training. Agencies are now starting to do tabletop exercises as a method to pre-plan response to major traffic incidents.

## Provide public education on safe, quick clearance and vehicle removal laws.

### **SMART Goals**

Objective: Through a targeted public education campaign, increase awareness of the Steer It, Clear It Law among the public from 13% to 50 % percent by September 30, 2016.

• A Research Project on Further Assessment of Safe, Quick Clearance Strategies - Phase II is being completed. A major component of this project was a public survey on TIM laws such as Move Over and Steer It, Clear It. The survey included 1,200 randomly selected sample based on Michigan County population size. The vast majority of respondents (90.1 percent) would comply with the Steer It, Clear It law by moving their vehicle off the roadway. However only half (47 percent) of them were either very aware or somewhat aware of the quick clearance legal requirement. Angie Kremer is the Project Manager for this research project.

#### Strategies

Methods to educate the public on the Steer It, Clear It law:

- Use Captain ClearIt, Public Outreach for Safe, Quick Clearance
   Informational Brochure
- Newsletter / Magazine Articles Stickers and Magnets Static Signs Posters
- Drivers Education Programs
   Electronic Billboards
   Gas Station TV
- Secretary of State Envelopes Drivers Training (Also Driver Improvement Programs)

Lead Agency: TIM Action Team

**Contact Name:** Angie Kremer and Ron Tennant

**Statue:** Brochures have been printed and posted on the Mi-TME website. The brochure has also been incorporated into the Mi-TIME trainings. A revised graphic was created for the Steer It, Clear It law as a part of the *Further Assessment of Safe, Quick Clearance Strategies - Phase II* research project.

Messages on Dynamic Message Boards have been developed with a clearer message for the public.

The Michigan Department of State (MDOT), via input from the Traffic Incident Management Action Team, produced a revised version of the Steer-It Clear It message that originally aired via the Motor Vehicle Network (MVN) in January 2016. The revised version aired from May-September 2017 and again in January 2018. The message is intended to increase public awareness of the Move Over Law, and prevent secondary crashes involving first responders and other emergency vehicles that render assistance during a crash or other roadway incident.

The Steer-It Clear-It law was featured in the December 31, 2017 edition of the Secretary's Teen Driver Updates e-newsletter, which is delivered monthly to a network of subscribers and archived on the SOS website.

The MDOS updated the What Every Driver Must Know publication in 2017. The MDOS, Traffic Safety Section coordinated input from the Traffic Incident Management Action Team. Areas of input include information on safe quick clearance laws and the addition of MDOT's Captain Clear-It mascot.